



### ADMINISTRATOR'S COLUMN

*Antiphon – They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, alleluia*

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion - BNS**

Congratulations to the boys from St. Colmcille's BNS who received their First Holy Communion last Saturday. I thank all involved - Sr. Mary and especially the Principal and Teachers: Ms. Ciara Brangan (Principal), Ms. Carrie Flood and Ms. Elaine Clarke (Class Teachers) and Class room assistant, Ms. Megan O'Reilly. The music and singing was wonderful. Thank you to the 5<sup>th</sup> class boys and the Music Director, the Music teachers Ms. Blathin White (Choir Director), Ms Lisa Hoey, Ms Ciara Reynolds and organist Mr. John Burke. Again well done to all, it was a lovely occasion and congratulation to the boys' parents and families. Both big days in the life our Parish – Confirmation and Communion went very well this year and they were lovely and prayerful occasions. *Deo Gratias*

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion**

Now that the First Holy Communions are finished for this year I'd like to sincerely thank Sr. Margaret and Sr. Mary who co-ordinate the 'Do This in Memory' programme for the Parish. This is a tremendous programme which has greatly enhanced the preparation for this Sacrament both for the children and their parents. A lot of time and effort goes into its co-ordination and the programme could not happen without the participation of the parent's committee from St. Colmcille's GNS and BNS. Again a sincere thank you to the parents who were members of these committees.



#### **Exams - A Student's Prayer**

Loving God be with me now, as I prepare for my exams.

Thank you for the many talents and gifts

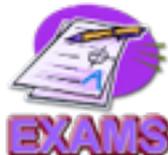
You have given me and for the opportunity of education.

Calm my nerves and anxiety, help me to remember all that I have studied,

To express it clearly and to answer the questions the very best that I can.

Holy Spirit, be with me in my exam – and always.

In Jesus' name. Amen



*He Has Spoken Through the Prophets... Viatores Christi* would like to remind you about our third and final talk in the series on renewal and the future of the Church. This will feature journalist and broadcaster Ms. Pat Coyle. Pat was born in Derry City in 1957 The Catholic Church and the war on her front street have been two of the most potent patriarchal forces in her life. Wed June 7th 2017 at 7.00pm to 9.30pm in the Lecture Hall, Belvedere College Suggested donation €10 To book you place call 01-8689986 or email [shane@viatoreschristi.com](mailto:shane@viatoreschristi.com)

#### **RECENTLY DECEASED**

Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently:

Harry Sheridan

Chapel Lane

Thomas Fitzsimons

St Cronan's Grove

Ursula Murphy (nee Lawlor)

Abbleylea Ave



#### **Ecumenical Bible Week –Swords- 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> June**

This is an exciting and successful venture which is now on its fourth year. It includes parish based events around Dublin and surrounding areas. For 2017, the topic is 'Faith comes from hearing the Word of Christ' (Rom 10.17).

**St. Colmcille's Church, Swords is hosting this event over three days:**

• **The Bible and your 'Other' – Faith beyond Frontiers**

**Tuesday June 6 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm** Presenter: Jools Hamilton (Methodist Chaplain to Trinity College. Founder of YouthSpirit and so-founder of The Good Summit he travels widely as a preacher, speaker, teacher and facilitator)

• **Christianity – A Beautiful Insanity!!**

**Wednesday June 7 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm** Presenter: Frank Brown (Parish Pastoral Worker in the Clondalkin area)

• **Listening to Hear**

**Thursday June 8 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm** Presenter: Éibhlís NicUaithuas DC (A Daughter of Charity and Spiritual Director. Co-ordinator of biblical studies in the Archdiocese of Dublin)

There is no cost, or pre booking required– **just turn up!**

**REMINDER – taking place in the CHURCH**

#### **Golf Classic – Bumper Raffle**

Tickets on sale outside the church this weekend after all weekend masses – also on sale in sacristy. TICKETS €5.00 A STRIP OR 3 STRIPS FOR €10.00

ALL FUNDS TO GO TOWARDS PARISH RE-DECORATING OF THE CHURCH.

Raffle will be held @ our annual Golf classic Thursday June 8TH

**Great Prizes !**

#### **Pilgrimage Walk – Sat 10th June**

The pilgrimage walk will take place on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June**, a day after the Feast of St. Colmcille which falls on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June. The walk will commence at **2.00pm at St.**

**Finian's, River Valley.** The duration of the walk is two hours. The walk will be framed around St. Matthew's Gospel, the relevant gospel for this year. It will finish at St. Cronan's, Brackenstown.

#### **Parish Holiday-Rome, the Eternal City –**

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October**

**A guided tour. Staying at the Hotel Domus Carmelina 3\***, which is centrally located in Rome about 10 mins walk from St. Peter's **Cost: €799.00 per person sharing on a bed and breakfast basis. This price is subject to availability.**

This holiday is organised through **MAP Travel** 36 Upper O'Connell Street, Dublin 1. **Tel: (01) 8783111.** MAP Travel is

licensed and bonded with the Commission for Aviation Regulation Licence No. T.A. 0474.

**Deposit €250 per person. Can be booked through Colette at the Parish Office or direct with MAP**

